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FROM THE DIRECTOR

Happy New Year

I hope this issue finds you all well and recovered from the holidays. It sure has been nice weather. I can't remember a time when we were trail riding in January!!

Our barn is nearly full of fun people and horses. The New Year promises many exciting events. Inside this issue you'll find a 2006 Calendar of Events.

Reserve your table early for our 2nd Annual Tack Swap on March 11. We're expecting a big crowd this year.

You don't want to miss the Julie Goodnight Horsemanship Clinic on April 1-2. This nationally known clinician is focused on finding success and improvement for every horse and rider by developing a deeper understanding of the horse and riding skills.

This year you will also see many new student groups at our facility as our at-risk program gets going.

We're also excited to have Robin Flory back as an English instructor. Robin is also developing a 4-H program for our barn.

And at long last, after two years of volunteer work, Jessica is now an employee!! Welcome Aboard Jess ☺

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BS FROM THE BARN MANAGER

Spring is coming, or so it seems. It's time to do the mid-winter worming. Please indicate your preference on the sheet on the tack room. The veterinarian will be scheduled to do worming and anything else you need done. You can also do your own worming or have the staff at the stable do it for you.

Thanks to everyone who worked on the shelters. I'm sure the horses appreciate them.

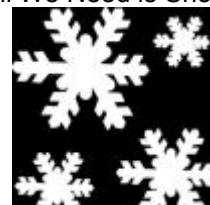
We're continuing to try to eliminate the soft spots in the arena.

Hope you enjoy the many upcoming events that are scheduled at the barn.

--Dennis



Sleigh Rides are a great way to spend time with your family and friends. All We Need is Snow!!



2006 JPEC CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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| Feb 4 | Iowa American Saddlebred Association Schooling Show |
| Feb 11 | 50 th Anniversary Polk County Conversation Board Sleigh Rides |
| Feb 12, 13, 14 | Sweetheart Valentines Day Sleigh Rides |
| Feb 12 thru Mar | Central Iowa Dancing Hooves Practices late Sundays |
| Feb 19 | Royal Lipizzaner Stallions at Wells Fargo Arena |
| Mar 4 | Iowa American Saddlebred Association Schooling Show |
| Mar 11 | 2 nd Annual Tack Swap |
| Mar 17-19 | DMOTC Agility Trials |
| Apr 1-2 | Julie Goodnight Horsemanship Clinic |
| Apr 7-9 | Visit the JPEC Booth at the Iowa Horse Council Fair |
| May | Ladies Day at the Park Lesson/Trail Ride Package (Tuesdays) |
| May 6 | Birthday Party for the Horses & Kentucky Derby |
| June 15 | Iowa State University Judging Clinic |
| July | Roosevelt SUCCESS (Mondays) |
| Sept 8 | 50 th Anniversary PCCB Chuckwagon |
| Oct 28 | Halloween Party |
| Nov 4 | Women's Camp |
| Nov 11-12 | Driving Clinic with Dennis Crowley |
| Dec | Pony Express to Santa |

No matter what the discipline, riding is ultimately an intellectual as well as athletic endeavor.
-Leslie Burr Howard,
USET Athlete



Sweetheart Sleigh Rides for Valentines Day

Enjoy a beautiful winter horse-drawn sleigh ride, followed by a bonfire, sweets, hot chocolate, a flower for the lady, and music.

February 12, 13, 14 at 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00

The \$50 sleigh rides accommodate up to four people. Rides will take place without snow using a horse-drawn wagon.

Make Your Reservations by Calling 515-999-2818

Julie Goodnight Horsemanship Clinic – April 1-2

Julie Goodnight travels the world to share her clear and gentle horsemanship techniques. With a varied background, ranging from dressage and jumping to racing, reining and wilderness riding, Julie is prepared to help you become the leader and the rider your horse deserves. Join her clinics to better your riding skills, improve your horse handling

techniques, build confidence and develop the ultimate relationship with your horse.

Clinic topics include balance, rhythm and communication with the horse; improving your position in order to use the natural aids more effectively for better communication and control of the horse and enhanced performance; and building a better relationship with the

horse from the ground, understanding horse behavior and dealing with training issues.

Clinic Cost:

\$400 to ride
(50% deposit required)
\$30/Day Spectators

Register **NOW** to Reserve Your Spot in This **EXCITING** Clinic. Your Horse Will Love You For It!!

www.JulieGoodnight.com
See Renness or Carrie for Reservations



Straight from the Horses' Mouths

Robin has finished her student teaching and is now teaching English riding lessons here at Jester Park. She is also developing a 4-H program with clinics, shows and county fairs. She will need volunteers when the time comes.

Dolce is for sale. Contact Cesilie Fox for information.

Our heartfelt condolences to Dee LeBrun-Heuvel on the loss of her beloved husband Scott.

Say hello to new boarders Kansas, Dianna and Haley. They came from Connecticut and ride frequently.

Can't wait to see Shotiche Penny run at Prairie Meadows. Am thinkin' we should make an event out of his first race !!

Welcome back to Brandie and Boomer and Gunner.

The best Christmas present of all was Annalisa Brandt's gift – 1,000 pounds of big red & white joy!!



Horses live in a world of constantly ringing alarm bells. If they read newspapers, the headlines would all be **THREE INCHES HIGH warning of IMMINENT AND DEADLY PERIL...**Your job is to quiet this.

-Chris Irwin, Dancing with Your Dark Horse

Lessons are increasing with three instructors and many good lesson horses. That also means that arena usage is high and coincides with boarder riding. When an instructor sections off part of the arena with cones, please stay out of the lesson area. Many of our riders are beginners.

Many Thanks to All the Volunteers Who Made the Pony Express a SUCCESS (and LOTS OF FUN TOO)

DRILL TEAM

Davin has volunteered to be the coach and we're going to earnestly try to practice on Saturday afternoons after chores. We need a name for our Drill Team and riders. Watch the board. Yeah Davin!!!

Board Increase

The cost of board has remained the same for 3 years. The time has come for an increase. Effective May 1, 2006, indoor board will be \$325. Outside with grain & hay will be \$165 and outside with just hay will be \$135.

SPOTLIGHT'S ON....



Jessica Drown

Jessica is a sophomore at Lincoln High School. She has volunteered at Jester Park Equestrian Center for 2 ½ years and now is employed as a stablehand.

Jessica started showing horses when she was 4 years old at Jester Park. Then when she came

back to Jester Park many years later, it had been remodeled.

Jessica's favorite horse is Shawnee, a 5 year old quarter horse mare. She likes Shawnee's personality best because she follows Jess around like a puppy dog. She's very smooth in her gaits and likes to learn. They were princesses at the

Halloween costume contest (now that's the truth!!)

Jessica wants to train horses, be a riding instructor and own her own riding stable. She wants to attend Kirkwood or William Woods in their equine management course.

Top Ten Horse Breeds (2004 registration totals)

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| Quarter Horse | 164,444 | www.aqha.com |
| Paint Horse | 50,439 | www.apha.com |
| Thoroughbred | 37,200 | www.jockeyclub.com |
| Tennessee Walking | 13,679 | www.twhbea.com |
| Standardbred | 11,486 | www.ustrotting.com |
| Arabian/Half Arabian | 11,311 | www.arabianhorse.org |
| Miniature Horse | 9,078 | www.amha.org |
| Appaloosa | 7,801 | www.appaloosa.com |
| Morgan | 3,256 | www.morganhorse.com |
| Pinto | 3,051 | www.pinto.org |

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If you're looking for an association or registry that isn't listed, go to the American Horse Council website: www.horsecouncil.org

Iowa Horse Council www.iowahorsecouncil.org